

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1-9. (Canceled)

10. (Currently amended): An optical member comprising an easy-releasing protective member, said easy-releasing protective member having an ink information for identification, said easy-releasing protective member being provided on at least one side of front side and back side on the optical material, wherein an optical transmittance of a portion of the easy-releasing protective member with the ink information is no less than 90% and up to 100% of the optical transmittance of said portion without the ink information.

11. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 10, wherein an optical transmittance of a portion without the ink information in the protective member is no less than 80%.

12. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 10, wherein the identification information comprise an ink emitting fluorescence by an irradiation of ultraviolet light.

13. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 10, wherein the optical material comprises at least one of a polarizing plate, retardation plate and a brightness enhanced plate.

14. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 10, further comprising a separator adhered to at least one side of the optical member.

15. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 10, further comprising an adhesive layer disposed on the optical member.

16. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 15, wherein the thickness of the adhesive layer is between 1  $\mu\text{m}$  and 500  $\mu\text{m}$ .

17. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 10, wherein the thickness of the easy-releasing protective member is at most 500  $\mu\text{m}$ .

18. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 10, wherein the thickness of the easy-releasing protective member is between 5  $\mu\text{m}$  and 300  $\mu\text{m}$ .

19. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 10, wherein the thickness of the easy-releasing protective member is between 10  $\mu\text{m}$  and 200  $\mu\text{m}$ .

20. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 13, wherein the optical material comprises a polarizing plate.

21. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 13, wherein the optical material comprises a retardation plate.

22. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 13, wherein the optical material comprises a brightness-enhanced plate.

23. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 22, wherein the optical material comprises a linearly reflective polarizer.

24. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 22, wherein the optical material comprises a cholesteric liquid crystal layer.

25. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 10, wherein the optical transmittance of the portion with the identification information is not less than 92% of the optical

transmittance of the portion without the identification information.

26. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 10, wherein the optical transmittance of the portion with the identification information is not less than 94% of the optical transmittance of the portion without the identification information.

27. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 10, wherein the optical transmittance of the portion with the identification information is not less than 96% of the optical transmittance of the portion without the identification information.

28. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 10, wherein the optical transmittance of the portion with the identification information is different from the optical transmittance of the portion without the identification information.

29. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 10, wherein the identification information is arranged on the surface of the optical material.

30. (Previously presented): An optical member comprising an easy-releasing protective member having an identification information arranged on the surface of at least one side of front and back side on the optical material, wherein an optical transmittance of a portion without the identification information in the protective member is no less than 80%, and an optical transmittance of a portion with the identification information is no less than 90% and up to 100% of the optical transmittance of said portion without the identification information.

31. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 30, wherein the identification information comprises a identification emitting fluorescence by an irradiation of ultraviolet light.

32. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 30, wherein the optical

material comprises at least one of a polarizing plate, retardation plate and a brightness enhanced plate.

33. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 30, further comprising a separator adhered to at least one side of the optical member.

34. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 30, further comprising an adhesive layer disposed on the optical member.

35. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 34, wherein the thickness of the adhesive layer is between 1  $\mu\text{m}$  and 500  $\mu\text{m}$ .

36. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 34, wherein the thickness of the easy-releasing protective member is between 5  $\mu\text{m}$  and 300  $\mu\text{m}$ .

37. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 30, wherein the thickness of the easy-releasing protective member is between 5  $\mu\text{m}$  and 300  $\mu\text{m}$ .

38. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 30, wherein the thickness of the easy-releasing protective member is between 10  $\mu\text{m}$  and 200  $\mu\text{m}$ .

39. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 32, wherein the optical material comprises a polarizing plate.

40. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 32, wherein the optical material comprises a retardation plate.

41. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 32, wherein the optical material comprises a brightness-enhanced plate.

42. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 41, wherein the optical material comprises a linearly reflective polarizer.

43. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 41, wherein the optical material comprises a cholesteric liquid crystal layer.

44. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 30, wherein the optical transmittance of the portion with the identification information is not less than 92% of the optical transmittance of the portion without the identification information.

45. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 30, wherein the optical transmittance of the portion with the identification information is not less than 94% of the optical transmittance of the portion without the identification information.

46. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 30, wherein the optical transmittance of the portion with the identification information is not less than 96% of the optical transmittance of the portion without the identification information.

47. (Previously presented): The optical member according to claim 30, wherein the optical transmittance of the portion with the identification information is different from the optical transmittance of the portion without the identification information.

48. (Previously presented): The optical member of claim 10, wherein the portion with the ink information has an arbitrarily formed component.

49. (Previously presented): The optical member of claim 48, wherein the portion with the ink information has a component formed as a character, figure, sign, or color.

50. (Previously presented): The optical member of claim 30, wherein the portion with the ink information has an arbitrarily formed component.

51. (Previously presented): The optical member of claim 50, wherein the portion with the ink information has a component formed as a character, figure, sign, or color.